

of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on October 20, 2009, at 5:23 p.m.:

That the Senate agreed to the Conference Report accompanying the bill H.R. 2892.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 621.

That the Senate passed S. 1793.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk of the House.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H. RES. 874

Mr. SCHRADER. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove my name as a cosponsor of H. Res. 874.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 20, 2009.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at 4:28 p.m., and said to contain a message from the President whereby he submits a copy of a notice filed earlier with the Federal Register continuing the emergency with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, first declared by Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk of the House.

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 111-71)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this pro-

vision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and the related measures blocking the property of certain persons contributing to the conflict in that country, are to continue in effect beyond October 27, 2009.

The situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, which has been marked by widespread violence and atrocities that continue to threaten regional stability, continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the foreign policy of the United States. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency to deal with that threat and the related measures blocking the property of certain persons contributing to the conflict in that country.

BARACK OBAMA.
THE WHITE HOUSE, October 20, 2009.

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HONORING FORMER CONGRESS- MEN BOB DAVIS AND JAY JOHN- SON

(Mr. STUPAK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STUPAK. Madam Speaker, earlier today the House observed moments of silence for two former Members of this Chamber.

Last Friday, former Congressman Bob Davis, a Republican from St. Ignace, Michigan, and my predecessor in Congress, passed away in Arlington, Virginia. Bob Davis dedicated his life to public service. He served members of his community as owner and operator of a funeral home in St. Ignace before serving in the Michigan State House and State Senate, where he was the Republican leader.

In 1978, Bob was elected to Congress where he served for 14 years. Over the course of those 14 years, Bob Davis was known to the people of what was then Michigan's 11th Congressional District for his constituent services. Bob's last, and perhaps greatest, legislative achievement was the establishment of the Keweenaw National Historic Park in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, which showcases the region's rich mining heritage.

Just like they did 17 years ago with the establishment of the Keweenaw National Historic Park, the people of the Keweenaw Peninsula rang the local church bells in tribute to Congressman Davis last Friday as citizens paid tribute and silently prayed for Bob and his family.

I join my constituents and Members of this Chamber in paying tribute to Bob and offering our sympathy and prayers to his wife, Brook, and their children Rob, Lisa, George, Alexandra, and Hannah.

Just days after Bob's passing, we lost another public servant with roots in northern Michigan.

On Saturday, former Congressman Jay Johnson, a Democrat from Green Bay, Wisconsin, passed away. Jay was a native of Bessemer in Michigan's Upper Peninsula and a graduate of Gogebic Community College and Northern Michigan University. He was a man of the people, and he was always proud to be known by his Upper Peninsula roots.

Jay worked as a journalist for 32 years in Wisconsin, Florida, and Michigan before making a run for Congress. He represented Wisconsin's Eighth Congressional District from 1996 to 1998 and was appointed director of the U.S. Mint by President Clinton in 2000 where he served for 2 years.

I am pleased to have served with Jay in Congress, and my heartfelt condolences go out to his wife, JoLee, and his entire family.

HONORING DAVE AND JULIE ZISKA'S SERVICE TO THE BOY SCOUTS OF SOUTH FLORIDA

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Madam Speaker, I rise tonight to congratulate Dave and Julie Ziska for 28 years of service to the Boy Scouts of south Florida. This year, the many individuals and families who have been enriched by the Ziskas gather together in Miami as Dave and Julie receive the 2009 Distinguished Citizen Award from the South Florida Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

The Boy Scouts of America is an outstanding organization that fosters strong ideals in young men and helps build leaders for the future. With the Ziskas' amazing service and support, the Boy Scouts of south Florida has been able to successfully accomplish this mission. Dave and Julie Ziska have not only had a profound impact on the Boy Scouts but also on the families of the Scouts and the entire south Florida community.

The Ziska's guidance and goodwill over the past 28 years has encouraged many young men to become active in Scouting. In fact, 207 young men attained the distinct and high honor of being Eagle Scouts with their help.

I congratulate and recognize Dave and Julie Ziska for their commendable service to the Boy Scouts of America and to the Boy Scouts of south Florida. Congratulations.

GUN CONTROL IN CHICAGO

(Mr. QUIGLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, in the past weeks and months, Chicago has made national news, unfortunately not just because of the Olympic decision. It is because school-age children